

This record is a partial extract of the original cable. The full text of the original cable is not available.

UNCLAS AMMAN 008628

SIPDIS

E.O. 12958: N/A

TAGS: [PGOV](#) [PINR](#) [PREL](#) [KMPI](#) [JO](#)

SUBJECT: BIO FOR ANTICIPATED NEW FOREIGN MINISTER HANI AL-MULKI

REF: AMMAN 8600

1. It has been widely reported that the new foreign minister in the expected cabinet reshuffle will be Hani Mulki, currently the Jordanian Ambassador in Cairo (reftel). Biographical information on Mulki follows.

BIOGRAPHY: MULKI, HANI

2. A Muslim, East Banker whose family's roots are in Syria, Hani Al-Mulki was born in Amman in 1951. He is the son of the late Fawzi Al-Mulki, who was Jordanian Prime Minister in 1953 and held several other cabinet positions in different governments. Al-Mulki received a Bachelor of Arts in Production Engineering from the University of Cairo in 1974. He also studied at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Albany, New York, from which he received a Master of Science in Management Engineering in 1977 and a Ph.D. in Industrial and Systems Engineering in 1979. Al-Mulki worked as a field engineer at the Ministry of Public Works from 1974-75, and as a researcher at the Royal Scientific Society (RSS) from 1975-1979. He served as Assistant Dean of the Engineering Department at Yarmouk University from 1980-81 before heading the RSS Solar Energy Department from 1981-1987. He then served as Executive Director of the Islamic Academy for Science from 1987-1989 and RSS President from 1989 until 1997. Al-Mulki was Secretary General of the Higher Council for Science and Technology from 1993-1997. He was appointed Minister of Trade, Industry, and Supply in PM Majali's cabinet in 1997, and Minister of Water and Irrigation & Minister of Energy and Mineral Resources in PM Tarawneh's cabinet in August 1998. He was also an advisor to former Crown Prince El Hassan Bin Talal. Al-Mulki became Ambassador to Cairo and to the Arab League in 2001. He is married to an American citizen and has two sons.

3. Baghdad minimize considered.

Visit Embassy Amman's classified web site at <http://www.state.sgov.gov/p/nea/amman> or access the site through the State Department's SIPRNET home page.
HALE